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In reply refer
to G/E-46

6 JUN 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Commanding Officer
Army Map Service
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ATTENTION: Map Intelligence Branch

SUBJECT: Approved Treatment of the Argentine-Chilean Boundary
Between 36° - 37° S and $70^{\circ}30'$ - 72° W.

REFERENCE: Letter from the Assistant Executive Officer, Army
Map Service, File #5, to the Director, Central
Intelligence Agency, 28 October 1955

1. This is in reply to your request for an approved treatment of the boundary separating Argentina and Chile between 36° - 37° S and $70^{\circ}30'$ - 72° W, a section in which minor variations occur on available map sources.
2. It is recommended that the boundary be shown as demarcated and that it follow the same alignment as that shown on the 1:250,000 sheet, #3671, of the Carta Preliminar of the Chilean Instituto Geográfico Militar.
3. This section of the boundary was agreed upon by both Argentina and Chile in October 1898. No major disputes over territory existed since the main peaks of the cordillera and the watershed were coincidental in this region. Thirty-five points were agreed upon to determine the border between 36° and 37° S, with the boundary following the water divide between these points. Markers were established on most of the locations during 1901.
4. Discrepancies on available maps are due to inaccuracies in the locations of these major topographical features, rather than in the placement of the line itself.
5. Since the Carta Preliminar is based on aerial photography, it is considered as reliable as any map currently available. Subsequent large scale mapping may offer corrections in the exact locations of some topographic features.

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6. The agreed upon points along the boundary between 36° and 37°S are as follows, north to south:

El Guemaco (pass)	Cerro Colorado (pass)
Laguna Negra (pass)	Los Moscos (pass)
Barrancas (pass)	Zafra-Zafra (pass)
Barrancas (mountain)	Las Diucas (pass)
Laguna Foa (Sepulveda) (pass)	Las Mariposas (pass)
Los Cristales (pass)	Cajón Negro (pass)
El Portillo (pass)	Salitre (pass)
La Mano (mountain)	Vallejos (Pincheira) (pass)
Benitez (pass)	Alico (pass)
Puerta Vieja (pass)	Ghureo (pass)
Valdés (pass)	Guacaleaquen (pass)
El Macho (pass)	Los Pajaritos (pass)
El Saco (pass)	Buraleo (pass)
El Dial (pass)	
Gatrinco (pass)	
Pinguinas (pass)	

6 intermediate points without names.

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